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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, MOPS, IS, LE
SUBJECT: SOUTH LEBANON: LEBANESE CASUALTIES FROM
HADDAD FIRING; LEBANESE CABINET TO MEET 10:00 A.M. AUG 8

REF: USUN 3124

1. USYG URQUHART INFORMED LEONARD THAT AT 2:30 P.M.
NY TIME, HADDAD FORCES HAD FIRED AGAIN ON LAF DEPLOYED
WITH NEPALESE CONTINGENT AND HAD KILLED ONE AND WOUNDED
SIX LEBANESE. IN DISCUSSING INCIDENT WITH LEONARD,
LEBANESE AMB TUENI ADDED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD NEPALESE
WERE CONSIDERING MOVING AWAY FROM AREA WHERE LAF IS
LOCATED IN ORDER TO AVOID FIRE DIRECTED AT LAF.
LEONARD CONTACTED URQUHART TO POINT OUT THAT SUCH
NEPALESE MOVE WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE AND IN PARTICULAR
WOULD MAKE BAD IMPRESSION ON ISRAELIS AND COULD THUS
CONTRIBUTE TO CURRENT DIFFICULTIES. URQUHART SAID
MESSAGE WAS ALREADY ON ITS WAY TO UNIFIL DIRECTING THAT
NEPALESE NOT MOVE AT LEAST UNTIL LEBANESE CABINET HAS
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MET TUESDAY MORNING.

2. TUENI INFORMED LEONARD THAT LEBANESE CABINET MEETING
IS SCHEDULED FOR 10:00 AM AUG 8 IN BEIRUT. HE SAID
THAT TWO NEW PROPOSALS CONCERNING THE MOVEMENT OF THE
LAF UNIT IN SOUTHERN LEBANON HAVE BEEN TRANS-
MITTED TO THE GOL, ONE THROUGH GENERAL CUQ AND THE

SECOND THROUGH "ANOTHER CHANNEL", WHICH HE SAID HIS
INTERLOCUTOR COULD NOT SPECIFY ON THE TELEPHONE. TUENI
SAID HE FEARS THESE PROPOSALS WILL BE UNACCEPTABLE TO
GENERAL KHOURY AND HENCE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE
CABINET. (WE DO NOT KNOW THE SUBSTANCE OF THESE
PROPOSALS. ASSUMING DEPT. HAS THEM, ANY VIEWS WE WISH
TO EXPRESS TO GOL SHOULD OBVIOUSLY REACH BEIRUT
BEFORE 10:00 AM CABINET MEETING.) YOUNG

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